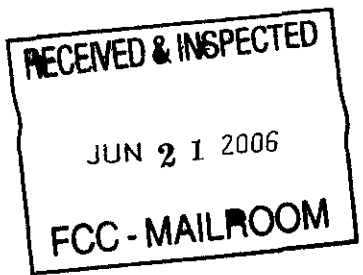


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**Request for Review**

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
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Washington, DC 20554

Applicant Name: Franklin Township School District

Billed Entity Number: 123572

Form 471 Application Number: 474034

Funding Request Numbers: 1308328, 1308335, 1308338, 1308345, 1308349, 1308354,  
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**To Whom It May Concern:**

This letter is being submitted to the FCC as an appeal of the SLD's decision to deny a previous appeal filed by the Franklin Township School District. The previous appeal letter was initially constructed to request a change in the denial of funding that originated with the Selective Review process. To the best of my ability, I will explain the circumstances that led to this current denial of funding, and the compelling logic behind granting Franklin Township School District a positive decision.

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In response to the SLD's denial letter:

- Franklin Township School District was contacted on August 23, 2005 to start the Selective Review process. Prior to this time frame the district hired a new technology director. This director, while excellent with regards to technology, had no previous experience with the E-Rate program. While the process certainly became elongated due to the districts learning curve, there were also some procedures not followed correctly by the SLD. The reviewer responsible for this application had previously granted the district extensions based on voice mails left for him. This statement is proven by Attachment # 1. As USAC protocol insists, this extension should be requested in writing and a written reply should be granted by the SLD. It does not take a stretch of the imagination to understand that the district would assume, that additional time would be allowed to file their response based on their verbal requests. Additionally, at no point was the district aware that a denial of funding would be issued if all the information was not provided by September 23, 2005. More importantly a response was submitted to the SLD shortly after this date. That documentation should be in the SLD's system.
- The statement provided by the SLD, that there is no proof of the documentation being submitted within the 7 day period mandated by USAC, is completely accurate. Unfortunately, there are no itemized phone bills or receipts of confirmation to verify that the information was submitted within the given time frame. However, there seem to be two distinct reasons that the FCC would grant this appeal even if the information wasn't submitted during the proper period. The first being that, specific to this application, prior requests for information were delayed so that district could review and assemble the proper information. The SLD reviewer never requested any written statements to extend this application but consistently granted extensions for the district. Since the non-submission of information on the exact day requested had previously not lead to denial, the district continued to use the time provided to gather the correct information. I certainly do not believe that this process should continue for an undisclosed period of time. However, I will once again state that the district was going through a learning curve, with regards to this specific process, and was using the time to gather the correct information which was eventually submitted and remains in the SLD's system.
- The information provided to the SLD shows that the Franklin Township School District had already secured access to sufficient funds for paying all of the FRN's submitted on the Form 471. The district has gone ahead with all of the works and services applied for, and have paid for them with previously secured funding. Furthermore, the information submitted shows that the district does have adequate resources to use all of the requests made in these applications.



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Mr. Bentrewicz,

Please note I have received your voicemail requesting an additional 7 days extension. Please note I have granted your request for an extension, your new deadline for materials is now: **September 22, 2005**

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Selective Review

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